

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

NELSON, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

FEBRUARY 15, 1901.

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1901.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

The selectmen would respectfully submit the following report of the financial affairs of the town of Nelson, for the year ending February 15, 1901.

VALUATION OF THE TOWN, APRIL 1, 1900.

Resident valuation,	\$75,520 00
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Non-resident valuation,	
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Amount of taxes assessed, \$2,062 25.	
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Rate per cent. on \$100, \$1.52.	
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Invoice of the town, 1900, was as follows :

71 polls,	\$7,100 00
95 horses,	4,838 00
18 oxen,	820 00
128 cows,	3,428 00
22 neat stock,	368 00
154 sheep,	392 00
57 fowls,	28 00
13,315 acres real estate,	107,754 00
Money on hand or at interest,	4,670 00
Stock in trade,	1,650 00
Bank stock, 1 share,	112 68
Mills and machinery,	4,300 00

	\$135,460 68
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Amount raised, 1900 :

State and county,	\$502 85
Town charges,	200 00

Highways and bridges,	\$550 00
Schools,	400 00
Breaking roads,	200 00
Library,	21 00
Repairs on school house,	100 00
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	\$1,973 85
Total amount levied for all purposes,	\$2,062 25

RECEIPTS FOR 1900.

Cash in treasury,	\$466 12
Uncollected taxes, 1899,	122 27
Taxes, 1900,	1,847 33
Interest on taxes, 1899,	4 68
Dog license,	50 93
Literary fund,	20 50
Savings bank tax,	92 29
Railroad tax,	1 52
Use of town hall,	1 50
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	\$2,607 14

ABATEMENTS.

Abatements to collector, 1899 and 1900,	\$8 66
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DISBURSEMENTS.

State tax,	\$242 25
County tax,	260 60
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	\$502 85

SUPPORT, SUPPLIES AND SALARIES OF SCHOOL OFFICERS.

James E. Ruffle, school treasurer,	\$478 30
James E. Ruffle, services on school board,	14 00
George S. Page, services on school board,	3 00
Mrs. Wayland P. Tolman, services on school board,	10 00
	<hr/> \$505 30

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

W. W. Atwood, agent, 1900,	\$480 37
W. W. Atwood, agent, removing old dam,	2 30
W. W. Atwood, road agent, work on Felt Hill road,	14 00
	<hr/> \$496 67

BREAKING ROADS.

W. W. Atwood, road agent, 1899 and 1900,	\$148 18
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SUPPORT OF TOWN LIBRARY.

John H. Osgood, trustee,	\$21 00
Delia Osgood, librarian,	10 00
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INTEREST ON TOWN NOTES.

T. W. Barker, interest,	\$30 00
Jessie M. Green, interest,	15 33
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TOWN OFFICERS.

John H. Osgood, selectman,	\$32 00
Harry R. Green, selectman,	21 00
Fred M. Murdough, selectman,	18 00
Fred A. Scott, town clerk,	20 00
George H. Hart, tax collector,	4 90
Almon W. Holt, tax collector,	22 50
T. W. Barker, town treasurer,	10 00
T. W. Barker, overseer of poor,	5 00
Wilmer Tolman, supervisor,	3 30
George H. Osgood, supervisor,	2 00
William W. Dunn, supervisor,	2 00
John H. Osgood, sexton,	5 50
William W. Dunn, auditor,	1 00
Fred A. Wilder, election officer,	2 00
Fred M. Brown, election officer,	2 00
Chester L. Towne, election officer,	2 00
George H. Osgood, election officer,	2 00
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	\$155 20

MISCELLANEOUS.

G. H. Aldrich & Son, insurance on library,	\$5 00
D. M. Pollard, building road,	26 00
Sentinel Printing Co., printing reports,	16 50
J. H. Osgood, for Memorial Day,	9 25
W. H. Spalter, record book and supplies,	4 25
Robert McCall, repairs on scraper,	3 00
John H. Osgood, care of town hall,	2 50
Wellington W. Stoddard, casket,	4 50
L. J. Colony Co., chairs for town hall,	3 90
Selectmen, perambulating town lines,	7 50
Susan E. Bryant, housing scraper,	2 00

A. J. Beal, mowing grass in cemetery,	\$2 25
Mrs. Bryant, for over-assessment of taxes by order on treasurer,	1 71
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	\$88 36

REPAIRS ON SCHOOL HOUSE, DISTRICT NO. 1.

H. F. Priest, agent,	\$49 01
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DAMAGE TO SHEEP BY DOGS.

Merrill Mason,	\$25 00
C. M. Sheldon,	15 00
J. H. Osgood,	6 00
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	\$46 00

RECAPITULATION.

State and county tax,	\$502 85
Support of schools,	505 30
Highways and bridges,	496 67
Breaking roads, 1899 and 1900,	148 18
Support of library,	31 00
Interest on town notes,	45 33
Town officers,	155 20
Miscellaneous,	88 36
Repairs on school house, No. 1,	49 01
Damage to sheep by dogs,	46 00
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	\$2,067 90
Total amount of receipts,	\$2,607 14
Total amount of disbursements,	2,067 90
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	\$539 24

LIABILITIES.

T. W. Barker, note,	\$600 00
Jessie M. Green, note,	200 00
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	\$800 00
Dog license,	4 93
Literary fund,	20 50
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	\$825 43

ASSETS.

Cash in treasury, Feb. 15, 1901,	\$539 24
Uncollected taxes, 1900,	208 74
Due from county, Feb. 15, 1901,	25 25
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	\$773 23
Total liabilities,	\$825 43
Total assets,	773 23
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Net debt of town,	\$52 20

JOHN H. OSGOOD,
HARRY R. GREEN,
FRED M. MURDOUGH,
Selectmen of Nelson.

I hereby certify that I have examined the above report
and found it correctly cast and properly vouched.

W. C. TOLMAN,
Auditor.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, March, 1900,	\$466 10
Received for dog licenses,	50 93
Received of George Hart, taxes for 1899,	122 63
Interest on taxes for 1899,	4 32
Received of George Hart, taxes for 1900,	365 40
Received of Almon W. Holt, taxes for 1900,	1,452 65
Received for use of town hall,	1 50
Savings bank tax,	92 29
Railroad tax,	1 52
Literary fund,	20 50
Received of Almon Holt, taxes for 1900,	29 28
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	\$2,607 12

EXPENDITURES.

Paid by order of selectmen,	\$2,067 90
Cash in treasury, Feb. 15, 1901,	539 22
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	\$2,607 12

THADDEUS W. BARKER,
Town Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the above account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

Feb. 15, 1901. W. C. TOLMAN,
Auditor.

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR.

Paid Arvilla Holt,	\$50 75
For carrying her to county almshouse,	3 50
Expense of Prescott child, for carrying it to Keene hospital,	1 50
Examination of child,	1 00
Telephoning,	15
H. R. Greene, for shoes,	60
Dr. Chestnut's bill for attendance on child,	8 00
Expense of Joseph Durant's family,	9 00
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	\$74 50
Cash on hand, March, 1900,	\$22 35
Received from county,	93 90
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	\$116 25
Due from county, Feb. 15, 1901,	\$25 25
Cash on hand,	16 50
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	\$116 25

THADDEUS W. BARKER,
Overseer of Poor.

I hereby certify that I have examined the above account
and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

W. C. TOLMAN,
Auditor.

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT FOR 1900.

EXPENDITURES.

APRIL.

Fred Patrick,	\$7 50
Fred Wilder,	1 50
W. W. Atwood and horses,	12 54
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	\$21 54

MAY.

Fred Patrick,	\$19 05
Leander Patrick,	3 00
W. H. Stoddard,	4 50
E. M. Towne,	4 50
Harry Robbins,	17 93
A. J. Beal and oxen,	28 65
D. Trembley,	1 50
G. N. Robbins,	6 45
T. A. Hastings, team,	48 50
W. W. Atwood and horses,	43 15
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	\$177 23

JUNE.

T. A. Hastings, team,	\$35 50
A. J. Beal, •	11 70
A. P. Hart,	12 25
G. H. Hart,	8 52
D. Williams,	3 00

G. W. Robbins,	\$1 50
H. Tarbox,	1 15
W. H. Stoddard,	15 38
Leander Patrick,	7 87
W. W. Atwood and horses,	26 16

\$123 03

JULY.

W. W. Atwood,	\$2 25
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AUGUST.

E. M. Towne,	\$1 58
G. N. Robbins,	1 87
W. W. Atwood and horses,	16 80

\$20 25

SEPTEMBER.

G. N. Robbins,	\$7 35
E. M. Towne,	6 60
D. E. Williams,	45
W. W. Atwood,	16 65

\$31 05

OCTOBER.

G. N. Robbins and horses,	\$6 00
E. M. Towne,	4 50
W. W. Dunn,	5 76
M. M. Bailey,	2 35
John Stevens,	45
E. C. Tolman,	1 42
W. W. Atwood and horses,	13 25

\$33 73

NOVEMBER.

W. W. Atwood and horses,	\$7 46
E. M. Towne,	1 00

\$8 46

BRIDGE PLANK.

E. C. Tolman,	\$3 81
J. H. Wilson,	25 32
T. A. Hastings,	25 22
Henry Wilson,	3 18
Knowlton & Stone, drain pipe,	17 74
Harry R. Green, spikes,	63
W. A. Page, repairs,	93
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	\$76 83

AMOUNT EXPENDED.

April,	\$21 54
May,	177 23
June,	123 03
July,	2 25
August,	20 25
September,	31 05
October,	33 73
November,	8 46
Bridge plank, drain pipe, etc.,	76 83
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	\$494 37

RECEIPTS.

Received of selectmen for highways,	\$480 37
Received of selectmen for labor on Felt Hill,	14 00
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	\$494 37

WINSLOW W. ATWOOD,
Road Agent.

BREAKING ROADS IN 1900-1901.

C. Eustice, crossing mowing,	\$1 50
G. N. Robbins,	5 57
E. G. Worster,	9 00

J. H. Wilson,	\$18 15
A. J. & E. L. Beal,	29 78
G. Henderson,	30
M. E. Hart,	1 95
W. W. Atwood,	20 00
John Collins,	2 10
J. H. Osgood,	8 50
D. E. Williams,	75
C. M. C. Phillips,	4 70
J. E. Ruffle,	1 58
John Stevens,	3 39
E. C. Tolman,	18 60
Fred Patrick,	2 48
L. Patrick,	4 28
F. E. Upton,	1 50
G. W. Osgood,	1 12
O. C. Tolman,	6 01
A. W. Cram,	75
W. H. Stoddard,	5 18
M. M. Bailey,	99
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	\$148 18
Received of selectmen,	\$148 18

WINSLOW W. ATWOOD,
Road Agent.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Only two schools have been supported in town the past year. We have been fortunate in securing excellent teachers and the progress made in general school work has been good.

It has been stated that three-fourths of the students in our colleges and higher institutions come from the country and rural villages. That the majority of men who have given New Hampshire her prestige among the states were country born and country bred—the product of our rural schools. Then should not these schools be the object of our most earnest solicitude and should not we feel that every dollar wisely expended in their support is most wisely invested?

The board wish to thank the parents and friends for the support they have given during the past year.

Below is the usual statistical table.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SADIE F. TOLMAN,
JAMES E. RUFFLE,
GEO. S. PAGE,

School Board.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Perfect record for the year: Clara Bell Page, Wallace Kendall Scott.

First term.—Edith H. Osgood, Cleora Hart, Clara B. Page, Sidney J. Green, Wallace K. Scott.

Second term.—Millicent Ruffle, Bessie Priest, Cora B. Barker, Wallace K. Scott, William F. Barrett, Clara B. Page.

Third term.—Edith Osgood, Harry Hart, Clara B. Page, Cora B. Barker, Wallace K. Scott, William Barrett, Harland G. Barrett, Sidney J. Green, Ethel H. Robbins.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Schools.	Terms.	NAME OF TEACHER.	Weeks of school.	Number of pupils.	Average attend'e.	No. of visits by school board.	No. of visits by citizens.	Whole No. of days attendance of all pupils combined	Wages per month
1	Spring.....	Cora A. Bemis.....	11	20		6	45	1978	\$28
2	Spring.....	Florence M. Osgood.....	11	18	15	4	70	990	28
1	Fall.....	Florence M. Dwight.....	13	18	13	5	44	1031	28
2	Fall.....	Florence M. Osgood.....	13	18	13	5	51	795	28
1	Winter....	Florence M. Dwight.....	4	7	6	4	6	182	28
2	Winter....	Florence M. Osgood.....	4	16	13	2	12	664	28

Number of children not less than five years of age attending school two weeks or more — males, 24 ; females, 19.

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1901.

Balance as per last report,	\$41 66
School money appropriated,	400 00
Literary fund,	25 65
Dog licenses,	52 65
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid by order of school board :

Edith H. Osgood, janitor No. 1, for 1899,	\$1 00
James E. Ruffle, merchandise,	1 20
Mrs. Charles Trask, boarding Cleora Hart 7 weeks,	10 50
Harry R. Green, flag rope, No. 2,	40
Cora A. Bemis, teaching 11 weeks,	77 00
Florence M. Osgood, teaching 11 weeks,	77 00
Edith H. Osgood, janitor No. 1,	1 00
Harry Scott, janitor No. 2,	1 50
Geo. S. Page, cleaning schoolroom,	1 65
Mrs. A. P. Hart, boarding Cleora Hart 4 weeks,	6 00
Knowlton & Stone, keys, glass and putty,	45
Mary E. Patrick, cleaning schoolroom,	1 75
James E. Ruffle, water pail and cup,	30
James E. Ruffle, drawing sand and banking school- house, No. 1,	2 00
Florence M. Dwight, teaching 12 4-5 weeks,	89 60

Florence M. Osgood, teaching 13 weeks,	\$91 00
Wallace K. Scott, janitor No. 2,	2 00
George S. Page, lock and labor,	85
Mrs. Vina Hart, boarding Cleora Hart 4 weeks,	6 00
Edith H. Osgood, janitor No. 1,	1 00
F. P. Wilson, for kindlings,	1 00
E. L. Hart, broom and paper,	50
Florence M. Dwight, teaching 4 weeks,	28 00
Florence M. Osgood, teaching 4 weeks,	28 00
Edith H. Osgood, janitor No. 1,	75
A. P. Hart, sweeping schoolroom,	1 50
Wallace K. Scott, janitor No. 2,	80
Harry R. Green, glass and putty,	1 42
E. S. Messinger, setting glass in schoolhouse No. 2,	55
W. H. Spalter, supplies,	31 93
James E. Ruffle, 1 1/2 cords wood fitted for stove,	5 25
Geo. W. Robbins, 4 cords wood fitted for stove,	16 00

\$487 90

Cash in treasury, February 15, 1901,

32 06

\$519 96

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. E. RUFFLE,

Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the above report and found it correctly cast and properly vouched.

HARRY R. GREEN,

Auditor.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE
NELSON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1901.

Cash on hand March 1, 1900,	\$4 56
Received from town treasurer,	21 00
Received from fines and cards sold,	14
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	\$25 70
Expended for books,	14 54
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Cash on hand March 1, 1901,	\$11 16
Number of volumes in library,	1,099
Number of volumes added during the year,	34
Number of volumes purchased,	17
Number of volumes issued,	561

We wish to acknowledge the following gifts :

- 5 books from Henry Melville, Esq.
- 8 books from Miss Clark, of Boston.
- 1 book from Rev. E. N. Hardy.
- 1 book from Mrs. Moody Currier, and 2 from the state.

JOHN H. OSGOOD,
ELLEN J. TOLMAN,
HENRY D. TAYLOR,
Trustees.

VITAL STATISTICS.

To the Selectmen :

In compliance with an act of the legislature, passed June session, 1887, amended by the legislature of 1899, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," I hereby submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF NELSON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1900.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn. No. of child 1st, 2d, etc.							
Jan. 11	Hazel Gertrude	F	L	Merton E. Hart	Mary E. McGilleary	Laborer	Stoddard	Peterboro		
July 12	Clarence David	M	L	David E. Williams	Harriet Mellvaine	Farmer	Coxsachie, N. Y.	Washington		
Sept. 27	Ralph Wilson	M	L	Harry R. Green	Mildred S. Barrows	Merchant	Stoddard	Stoddard		

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF NELSON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1900.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in Years.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	* Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Aug. 7	Manchester	Robert E. Tolman Cora A. Bemis	Nelson Keene	25 19	Farmer Teacher	Manchester Athens, Vt.	Orson C. Tolman Emily J. Parker Nial Bemis Mary J. Jenkins	Nelson	1st 1st	Rev. N. L. Colby, Manchester

* Whether single or widowed. What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF NELSON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1900.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex and Cond'n		Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Male or Female.	* S, M, W	Father.	Mother.		
Apr. 18	Mary A. Stoddard	41	7	18	Southboro, Mass.	F	M	Southboro, Mass.	Worcester, Mass.	William Jennison	Sarah B. Johnson

* Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct, according
to the best of my knowledge and belief.
FRED A. SCOTT, Town Clerk.

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